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Cultural Arts Board Seeks Artwork for Annual Exhibit

(Bel Air, MD) - - The Harford County Cultural Arts Board and the Harford County Commission on Disabilities are seeking submissions for a juried art exhibit, *Art Without Boundaries*. Interested artists, with and without disabilities, are invited to submit one to two pieces, both two and three dimensional, on Thursday, June 26, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Student Gallery in Joppa Hall, Harford Community College, 401 Thomas Run Road, Bel Air. Please contact Harford County Cultural Arts Board Coordinator Rebecca Jessop at 410-638-3578 or arts@harfordcountymd.gov for more information and other drop off options.

The *Art Without Boundaries* exhibit is in recognition of the 24th Anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). It will be held from Monday, July 7 through August 30 in the Student Gallery in Joppa Hall. The gallery is open to the public Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. until 10:00 p.m., Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 9:15 p.m., and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. The Student Gallery is closed on Sundays.

Additionally, the Cultural Arts Board and the Commission on Disabilities will host a reception at the gallery on Thursday, July 24, 2014, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. to celebrate the work of the artists and to commemorate the 24th Anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The reception will feature art, music, and light refreshments. The public is invited to attend this free event. For more information and to request disability-related accommodations, please contact Rachel Harbin, Disabilities Coordinator, at 410-638-3373 voice/TTY or disability@harfordcountymd.gov.

"*Art Without Boundaries* celebrates the talents and creativity of artists of all abilities," explained Marc Weinstein, Chair of the Harford County Commission on Disabilities. "Art created by artists with and without disabilities is indistinguishable and can be enjoyed by all. We're grateful to Dean Paul Labe of Harford Community College's Visual, Performing and Applied Arts Division for welcoming the exhibit back to the Student Gallery for a fourth year. This is a wonderful venue for the event."

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The Harford County Cultural Arts Board is the government-appointed local arts agency and the premier local resource for arts, cultural and historical organizations, individual artists and the residents of Harford County. The Cultural Arts Board provides financial, advocacy and administrative support to its local arts and cultural groups, offers grant programs for local nonprofit organizations and sponsors workshops and promotional events.

The Harford County Commission on Disabilities was established in 1995 to serve as the voice of the disability community in Harford County. Members are appointed by the County Executive, with the approval of the County Council.

The Harford County Department of Community Services was established in 1979 via Executive order and works daily to meet the needs of seniors, youth, persons with disabilities and those struggling to overcome addiction. The Department works with federal, state, local, and private agencies to ensure that our county continues to evolve and remains dedicated to providing the best possible services for our citizens and community.

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